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The Honorable Robert S. McNamara *per*  
The Secretary of Defense  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Bob:

Thank you for your letter of 25 October 1963 informing me of the review of personnel security procedures which you have initiated in the Department of Defense. I note that the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower) is responsible for this review. Mr. Robert Bannerman, Director of Security, will act as my representative in this matter and will be available to render any possible support.

Sincerely,

*(Signature)*

John A. McCone  
Director

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25 October 1963

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Honorable John A. McCone  
Director, Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear John:

We are in basic agreement with the outline of proper and effective security principles and practices set forth in your memorandum of October 11, 1963 concerning intelligence community security.

I believe it would be desirable to develop a consensus regarding techniques and evaluations to be used in areas of our common concern. In this connection, I have directed a thorough review of the personnel security procedures and practices of the Department of Defense, including but not limited to individuals directly involved in intelligence matters. This review is being undertaken by the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower), who is responsible for developing policies with respect to the safeguarding of classified information and activities, and related personnel and physical security. The information contained in your memorandum will be most helpful. I would appreciate it if you would designate a representative of your office with whom we may consult from time to time as our study develops.

Sincerely,



Robert S. McNamara

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